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PT 5710 Discipleship
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COURSE PURPOSE

PT5710 DISCIPLESHIP

How to disciple men and women, building into their lives basic Christian disciplines and equipping them to disciple others.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

1. The student will be able to develop definitions for key terms and concepts related to discipleship.
2. The student will be able to learn the relationship of discipleship to the local church.
3. The student will be able to develop a framework for discipleship.
4. The student will be able to gain a greater conviction for personal and corporate discipleship.

COURSE TEXTS

Required Texts:

Bridges, Jerry. *The Discipline of Grace*. Colorado Springs, CO: NavPress, 1994.
Coleman, Robert E. *The Master Plan of Evangelism*. Grand Rapids, MI: Fleming H. Revell, 1993.
Dunahoo, Charles H. *Making Kingdom Disciples*. Phillipsburg, NJ: P & R Publishing, 2005.
Hull, Bill. *The Disciple Making Pastor*. Old Tappan, NJ: Fleming H. Revell, 1988.

Collateral Texts:

Bridges, Jerry. *Growing Your Faith*. Colorado Springs, CO: NavPress, 2004.
Bruce, A.B. *The Training of the Twelve*. Grand Rapids, MI: Kregel Classics; 23 edition, 2000.
Coleman, Robert E. *The Master Plan of Evangelism*. Westwood, NJ: Fleming H. Revell, 1963.
Eims, Leroy. *The Lost Art of Disciple Making*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Publishing House. 1978.
Hendrichsen, Walter A. *Disciples are Made-Not Born*. Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, 1974.
Hendricks, Howard G., and William D. Hendricks. *Living by the Book*. Chicago: Moody Press, 1991.
Hull, Bill. *The Disciple-Making Church*. Grand Rapids, MI: Fleming H. Revell Company, 1990.
Turabian, Kate L. *A Manual for Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations* University of Chicago Press.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. Two page paper critique for required reading books.
2. Lead a discussion from a chapter from *The Discipline of Grace*.
2. Lead a class discussion from one of the texts on “Methods of Christ in the Four Gospels.”
3. Write a 10-15 page research paper about any subject that has caught your special interest. You should average two citations per page and at least five-seven reference works other than your textbooks. Paper should contain the following constituent parts: title page, table of contents, introduction, and research question (what are you investigating?), discussion and conclusion, bibliography. (The 10-12 pages begin with introduction and ends with conclusion). **Introduction and bibliography do not count in page count.**
4. Navigator Topical Memory System
5. Final exam

GRADING

1. Preparing and leading a class discussion 20%
2. Four critiques 20%
3. Research paper 20%
4. Topical Memory System 20%
5. Final 20%

BTS Format and Style Standards

Note: All papers must be formatted in accordance with Turabian Chicago standards including the title page. Any paper not conforming to these standards will automatically be dropped one letter grade.

All course materials must be submitted by the last day of class. Thereafter, course materials may be submitted for up to six (6) weeks after the end of the semester directly to the office of the Registrar with the permission of the professor. If a student submits course materials after the end of the semester but within the six (6) weeks grace period, the student’s grade will be lowered by one letter grade. The course materials will not be accepted after the six (6) week grace period and a failing grade will be posted to the student’s transcript.

Discipleship Schedule for PT 5710

January

- 23 Discipleship and Bible study principles
- 30 Discipleship, DG 1-2, Bible study principles

February

- 6 KD Chapter 1, DG 3-4, Discipling through small groups
- 13 KD Chapters 2-4, DG 5-6, Discipling through small groups
- 20 KD Chapters 5-6, DG 7-8, Discipling through small groups
- 27 KD Chapters 7-8, DG 9-10

March

- 5 KD Chapters 9-10, DG 10
- 12 **Spring Break**
- 19 KD Chapters 11-12, DG 11
- 26 Discipling through the church, *Disciple Making Pastor*

April

- 2 Discipling through the church, DG 12
- 9 Discipling the family, DG 13
- 16 Discipling the children
- 23 Final Exam

METHODS OF CHRIST IN THE FOUR GOSPELS

Teaching or Preaching Incident

Jn. 1:35-42 – First three disciples
 Jn. 1:43-46 – Call of Philip
 Jn. 1:45-51 – Conversation with Nathanael
 Jn. 2:1-11 – Water made wine
 Jn. 2:13-22 – First Cleansing of Temple
 Jn. 3:1-21 – Discourse with Nicodemus
 Jn. 4:4-26, 28-30, 39-42 – Samaritan Woman
 Jn. 4:27-38 – Meat that ye know not
 Jn. 4:46-54 – Nobleman's son
 Lk. 4:16-30 – First rejection at Nazareth
 Mt. 4:16-22; Mk. 1:16-20 – Call of the four disciples
 Lk. 5:1-11 – Miraculous draught of fish
 Mk. 1:21-28; Lk. 4:31-37 – Demon in synagogue
 Mt. 8:14, 15; Mk. 1:29; Lk. 4:38-39 – Peter's wife's mother
 Mt. 8:16-17; Mk. 1:32-34; Lk. 4:40-41 – Healing of many at even
 Mk. 1:35-36; Lk. 4:42-44 – First preaching tour
 Mk. 1:40-45; Lk. 4:12-16 – Leper cleansed
 Mt. 9:2-6; Mk. 2:1-12; Lk. 5:17-26 – Man through the roof
 Mt. 9:9-13; Mk. 2:13-17; Lk. 5:27-32 – Call of Matthew
 Mt. 9:14-17; Mk. 2:18-22; Lk. 5:33-39 – Question about fasting
 Jn. 5 – Infirm man at pool
 Mt. 12:1-8; Mk. 2:23-28; Lk. 6:1-5 – Grain on Sabbath
 Mt. 12:9-14; Mk. 3:1-6; Lk. 6:6-11 – Withered hand
 Mt. 5-7; Lk. 6:20-49 – Sermon on the mount
 Mt. 8:5-13; Lk. 7:1-10 – Centurion's servant
 Lk. 7:11-17 – Son of the widow of Nain
 Mt. 11:2-30; Lk. 7:18-35 – Question of John the Baptist
 Lk. 7:36-50 – Anointing at Pharisee's house
 Mt. 12:22-45; Mk. 3:20-30 – Warnings to scribes and Pharisees
 Mt. 12:46-50; Mk. 3:31-35; Lk. 8:19-21 – Jesus' true kindred
 Mt. 13:1-53; Mk. 4:1-34; Lk. 8:4-18 – Parables by the sea
 Mt. 8:23-27; Mk. 4:35-41; Lk. 8:22-25 – Stilling the storm
 Mt. 8:28-34; Mk. 5:1-20; Lk. 8:26-39 – Gadarene demoniacs
 Mt. 9:18-26; Mk. 5:21-43; Lk. 8:40-56 – Jairus' daughter
 Mt. 9:27-31 – Two blind men
 Mt. 9:32-34 – Dumb demoniac
 Mt. 13:54-58; Mk. 6:1-6a – Second rejection at Nazareth
 Mt. 9:36-11:1; Mk. 6:7-13, 30; Lk. 9:1-5, 10 – The twelve sent out
 Mt. 14:13-23; Mk. 6:30-46; Lk. 9:10-17; Jn. 6:1-15 – Feeding the 5000
 Mt. 14:24-36; Mk. 6:47-56; Jn. 6:16-21 – Walking on the water
 Jn. 6:22-71 – Discourse on the bread of life
 Mt. 15:1-20; Mk. 7:1-23 – Discourse on unwashed hands
 Mt. 15:21-28; Mk. 7:24-30 – Syrophenician's daughter
 Mt. 7:32-37 – Deaf and dumb man
 Mt. 15:32-38; Mk. 8:1-9 – Feeding the 4000
 Mt. 15:39-16:12; Mk. 8:10-21 – Leaven of the Pharisees

Mk. 8:22-26 – Blind man near Bethsaida
 Mt. 16:13-20; Mk. 8:27-30; Lk. 9:18-21 – Peter’s confession
 Mt. 16:21-28; Mk. 8:31-9:1; Lk. 9:22-27 – Death and resurrection foretold
 Mt. 17: 1-13; Mk. 9:2-13; Lk. 9:28-36 – Transfiguration
 Mt. 17:14-20; Mk. 9:14-29; Lk. 9:37-43a – Demoniac boy
 Mt. 17:22-23; Mk. 9:30-32; Lk. 9:43b-45 – Death and resurrection foretold
 Mt. 17:24-27 – Shekel in fish’s mouth
 Mt. 18; Mk. 9:33-50; Lk. 9:46-50 – Humility
 Jn. 7:1-36 – At the feast of tabernacles
 Jn. 7:37-52 – The living water
 Jn. 7:53-8:11 – Women taken in adultery
 Jn. 8:12-30 – The light of the world
 Jn. 8:31-59 – Spiritual freedom
 Mt. 8:19-22; Lk. 9:51-62 – Discipleship
 Lk. 10:1-24 – Seventy sent out
 Lk. 10:25-37 – Good Samaritan
 Lk. 10:38-42 – Visit to Mary and Martha
 Jn. 9 – The man born blind
 Jn 10:1-12 – Good Shepherd
 Jn. 10:22-42 – At the feast of dedication
 Lk. 11:1-13 – Discourse on prayer
 Lk. 11:14-54 – Discourse against Pharisees
 Lk. 12 – Seeking first the kingdom
 Lk. 13:1-9 – Expected fruit
 Lk. 13:10-21 – Woman in synagogue
 Lk. 13:22-30 – Only a few saved?
 Lk. 13:31-35 – Reply to warning against Herod
 Lk. 14:1-24 – At a chief Pharisee’s table
 Lk. 14:25-35 – On counting the cost
 Lk. 15 – Lost sheep, coin, son
 Lk. 16 – Two parables of warning
 Lk. 17:1-10 – Character of His servants
 Jn. 11:1-46 – Raising of Lazarus
 Lk. 17:11-19 – Ten lepers
 Lk. 17: 20-18:8 – Coming of the kingdom
 Lk. 18:9-14 – Pharisee and publican
 Mt. 19:3-12; Mk. 10:2-12 – On divorce
 Mt. 19:13-15; Mk. 10:13-16; Lk. 18:15-17 – Blessing the children
 Mt. 19:16-20:16; Mk. 10:17-31; Lk. 18:18-30 – A rich young ruler
 Mt. 20: 17-19; Mk. 10:32-34; Lk. 18:31-34 – Crucifixion foretold
 Mt. 20:20-28; Mk. 10:35-45 – Ambition of James and John
 Mt. 20:29-34; Mk. 10:46-52; Lk. 18:35-43 – Blind men near Jericho
 Lk. 19:1-10 – Zaccaeus
 Lk. 19:11-28 – Parable of the talents
 Mt. 26:6-13; Mk. 14:3-9; Jn. 11:55-12:11 – Anointing by Mary
 Mt. 21:1-11; Mk. 11:1-11; Lk. 19:29-44; Jn. 12:12-19 – Triumphal entry
 Mt. 21:18-22; Mk. 11:12-14, 20-25 – Cursing of the fig tree
 Mt. 21:12-17; Mk. 11:15-19; Lk. 19:45-48 – Second cleansing of temple
 Mt. 21:23-27; Mk. 11:27-33; Lk. 20:1-8 – Christ’s authority challenged
 Mt. 21:28-22:14; Mk. 12:1-12; Lk. 20:9-19 – Three parables vs. Pharisees

Mt. 22:15-40; Mk. 12:13-34; Lk. 20:20-40 – Questions to ensnare Christ
 Mt. 22:41-46; Mk. 12:35-37; Lk. 20:41-44 – Christ’s unanswerable question
 Mt. 23; Mk. 12:38-40; Lk. 45-47 – Woes against the Pharisees
 Mt. 12:41-44; Lk. 21:1-4 – Widow’s mite
 Jn. 12:20-50 – The hour has come
 Mt. 24, 25; Mk. 13; Lk. 21:5-38 – End of the world
 Mt. 26:1, 2 – Crucifixion foretold
 Mt. 26:17-30; Mk. 14:12-26; Lk. 22:7-30 – Preparation for last supper
 Jn. 13 – Washing the disciples’ feet
 Mt. 26:21-25; Mk. 14:18-21; Lk. 22:21-23 – “One of you shall betray me.”
 Lk. 22:24-30 – Who is the greatest?
 Mt. 26:26-30; Mk. 14:22-26; Lk. 22:19, 20 – Last supper
 Mt. 26:31-35; Mk. 14:27-31; Lk. 22:31-38; Jn. 13-16:33 – Farewell discourse
 Jn. 17 - Intercessory prayer
 Mt. 26:36-46; Mk. 14:32-42; Lk. 39-46 – Gethsemane
 Mt. 26:47-56; Mk. 14:43-52; Lk. 22:47-53; Jn. 18:1-11 – Arrest
 Mt. 26:57-27:10; Mk. 14:53-72; Lk. 22:54-71; Jn. 18:12-17 – Trial before the Jews
 Mt. 27:11-31; Mk. 15:1-20; Lk. 23:1-25; Jn. 18:28-29:16 – Trial before Pilate
 Lk. 23:26-49 – The way to the cross
 Mt. 27:33-38; Mk. 15:22-27; Lk. 23:33-34; Jn. 19:16-24 – Crucifixion
 Lk. 23:39-43 – Two malefactors
 Jn. 19:25-27 – John and Mary
 Mt. 27:45-56; Mk. 15:33-41; Lk. 23:44-49; Jn. 19:28-37 – Death
 Lk. 24:13-35 – Walk to Emmaus
 Mk. 16:14; Lk. 24:36-43; Jn. 20:19-25 – Upper room
 Jn. 20:26-29 – Thomas
 Jn. 21:1-24 – Breakfast by the sea
 Mt. 28:16-20; Mk. 16:15-18 – Commission on the mountain
 Lk. 24:44-53 – Ascension

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